

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the paragraph at page 43, lines 2-14 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:**

Using a hot-dip plating simulator, various kinds of hot-dip galvanized steel sheets were produced by subjecting cold-rolled steel sheets having the components of the invention example No. 2 in Table 7 Table 1 to the process of: annealing for 100 sec. at 800°C at a heating rate of 5°C/sec. in the atmospheres shown in Table 8; subsequently dipping in a hot-dip galvanizing bath; and air cooling to the room temperature. Here, an atmosphere at the time of heating was controlled to 4% hydrogen and -40°C dew point, and a metal composed of zinc containing 0.14% Al was used in a hot-dip galvanizing bath. Further, the dipping time was set at 4 sec. and the dipping temperature was set at 460°C.

**Please replace the paragraph at page 46, lines 2-13 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:**

Using a hot-dip plating simulator, various kinds of hot-dip galvanized steel sheets were produced by subjecting cold-rolled steel sheets having the components of the invention example No. 5 in Table 5 Table 1 to the process of: annealing for 100 sec. at 800°C at a heating rate of 5°C/sec. in the atmospheres shown in Table 11; subsequently dipping in a hot-dip galvanizing bath; and air cooling to the room temperature. Here, a metal composed of zinc containing 0.14% Al was used in a hot-dip galvanizing bath. Further, the dipping time was set at 4 sec. ~~ad~~ and the dipping temperature was set at 460°C.